

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 53080  
Yasuo TAKEBE, et al. :  
Application No.: 10/696,505 : Confirmation Number: 5764  
Filed: October 30, 2003 : Group Art Unit: 1795  
For: METHOD OF OPERATING FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND  
FUEL SYSTEM : Examiner: Raymond Alejandro

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Mail Stop AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
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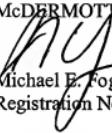
Sir:

Noting the Office Action of April 3, 2008 wherein restriction has been required, Applicant wishes to prosecute Species I, and identify claim 107 as readable thereon for prosecution in the above-identified application.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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